

# Editor Elected SBC Public Relations Secretary

NASHVILLE — (BP) — The Southern Baptist Executive Committee has elected W. C. Fields, editor of the Baptist Record, Jackson, Miss., as secretary of its public relations service.

Porter Routh of Nashville, executive secretary of the Executive Committee, said Fields will take the position in Nashville July 15. He succeeds Albert McClellan, who has held the office for 10 years.

McClellan remains with the Executive Committee but in a new position, that of program planning secretary.

In his new capacity, Fields will also be press representative for the Southern Baptist Convention, editor of the Baptist Bulletin Service, director of the Baptist Press news agency, and editor of the monthly Baptist Program.

"The unanimous vote of the Executive Committee, on all of the ballots we have received, for W. C. Fields as public relations secretary of the Executive Committee confirms my own conviction that God has led us to this man," Routh said.

"His training, his sense of dedication, his experience, his

ability to work well with people without compromising convictions," qualifies him in an unusual way for this wider responsibility in Southern Baptist life."

Chester L. Quarles, Jackson, executive secretary of Mississippi Baptist Convention, said to the Baptist Press:

"Wilmer C. Fields, editor of the Baptist Record, has rendered outstanding service. He has the admiration and respect of all Mississippi Baptists. While we regret his leaving our work, we rejoice in his expanded opportunity in the denomination

and in kingdom service." Editor Three Years Fields was pastor of First Baptist Church, Vicksburg, Miss., when called to succeed the late Dr. A. L. Goodrich as editor of the Baptist Record in 1956. He also has served two years as president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention board.

He has been active in religious journalism organizations, serving as secretary of the Southern Baptist Press Association, an organization of editors of Baptist newspapers and magazines. He also has represented the Baptist Record at meetings of the Evangelical Press Association and Associated Church Press, both organizations which include editors of religious periodicals.

Fields once opened the session of the United States Senate with prayer, the youngest person to do so. While in school, he was a member of the national champion men's debate squad.

Flyer Fields took up flying while in Louisiana College and obtained his private pilot's license (Continued on Page 2)

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REV. AND MRS. HERMAN P. HAYES, newly appointed missionaries to Vietnam, stand before the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board's new headquarters building in Richmond, Va.

### First Appointees For Vietnam

Pastor and Mrs. Herman P. Hayes, of South McComb Baptist Church, McComb, Miss., were appointed missionaries to Vietnam by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board at its semiannual full meeting in April. They are the first missionaries to be designated for the young Southeast Asian nation, where Southern Baptists plan to open mission work in the near future.

Mr. Hayes has served the South McComb Church since July, 1956. He formerly pastored Locust Street Baptist Church, Norco, La., Grayson (La.) Baptist Church, and Liberty Baptist Church, Linville, La.

Native of La. A native of Houghton, La., he received the bachelor of arts degree from Louisiana College, Pineville, and the bachelor of divinity and master of religious education degrees from New Orleans (La.) Baptist Theological Seminary.

Mrs. Hayes is the former Dottie Primeaux, of Cameron, La. She is also a graduate of Louisiana College. She taught in a junior high school in McComb for one year.

Mr. Hayes said that during the latter part of 1957 he became increasingly interested in foreign missions. "It seemed that everything I read or heard about foreign missions cried out for young pastors who had completed their schooling," he said. "My wife and I talked about it, but neither of us felt then that

the Lord was definitely calling me. The ratio of Baptist missionaries in foreign lands was constantly on my heart. I knew the Lord was calling me to go."

of this growing interest, Dottie and I attended the Foreign Mission Conference at Ridgecrest, N.C., in June, 1958. We were deeply impressed and felt that possibly (Continued on Page 2)

### Dutch Baptists Celebrate Smythe's Anniversary

AMSTERDAM, Holland — (BWA) — Baptists of Holland will celebrate the 350th anniversary of the baptism of John Smythe, who in 1609 founded the first known English-speaking Baptist church of modern times.

Dr. Theodore F. Adams, president of the Baptist World Alliance, will speak at the celebration observance on Ascension Day, May 7, climaxing annual sessions of the Baptist Union of Holland earlier in the week.

In addition to Dr. Adams, other speakers will be Dr. E. A. Payne, general secretary of the Baptist Union of Great Britain and Ireland; Rev. J. Broertjes, vice-president of the Baptist Union of Holland; and Rev. F. E. Huizinga, vice-president of the European Baptist Federation. A special choir will furnish music for the day and an historic play will be presented.

Building Dutch Baptists plan to erect a church in Amsterdam, West, to be known as the John Smythe Memorial Church, at a cost of about 1,300,000 Florins, with a further 50,000 Florins needed for additional church buildings (a total of \$115,000).

It has been suggested that Baptists in a far larger area than Holland might be interested in sharing in this memorial church.

Bylaw, Constitution Changes Necessary

NASHVILLE — (BP) — Putting into effect the portion of the Survey Committee report adopted by the 1958 Southern Baptist Convention at Houston will require approval of changes in the Convention's constitution and bylaws.

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### Oklahoma Dries In New Education Move

OKLAHOMA CITY — (BP) — With doors thrown open to legal liquor in Oklahoma for the first time in the state's 51-year history, United Dry Association will now concentrate "on legislation for adequate protection of lives on the highways and safety in public places, for public school education and for a state program of rehabilitating

alcoholics." Oklahoma voters chose repeal of prohibition by a majority of 81,568, according to complete, unofficial totals despite an intense but short campaign by dry forces. Total vote was 396,442 for repeal and 314,874 against.

Sam W. Scantlan, Oklahoma City, superintendent of rural and city missions for the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma was leader for dry forces. He was released by the convention last November to serve as acting executive secretary for United Dries in the campaign. He will now return to

### Summers Go To Southern

Dr. Ray Summers, professor of New Testament at Southwestern Seminary in Fort Worth, Tex., has resigned to accept a similar position at Southern Seminary in Louisville, Ky.

The resignation will be effective May 1, 1959. Summers will conclude his term at Southwestern on that day.

"This action is the result of a very deep conviction to which we have come after months of prayerful consideration," Dr. Summers said. "Much of the Lord's leading I do not understand; all of it I do accept."

Well-Known Personality He said that his going does not mean less love for nor loyalty to Southwestern. "It means only that I am following what I have taught my students during those years that is, 'the field is the world; it matters little into what part of the field the seed is planted just so it is that part determined by the Lord of the Harvest.'"

Baptists in Lead

Baptists were among leaders in the dry campaign. Edward Wolfe, pastor of Kentucky Ave. Baptist Church in Oklahoma City, was released by his church to give full-time to United Dry efforts. David C. Shapard, Oklahoma City attorney and Baptist layman, was public relations director. Shapard had helped lead the last defeat of repeal in 1907. U. S. Sen. Robert L. Darden, D-Ore., donated \$10,000 to the cause. The Baptist Messenger

TO NASHVILLE—Dr. W. C. Fields will leave the editorship of The Baptist Record on July 15 to become public relations secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee.

### Home Board Suggests SBC Report Change

ATLANTA (BN) — The Home Mission Board's committee to study the report of the Convention-wide Survey Committee met March 31 in Atlanta. The following is a statement from Dr. Dick Hall, Jr., chairman of the committee. Dr. Hall is pastor of the First Baptist Church, Decatur, Georgia.

In the original report which were questioned by the Home Mission Board have been modified or deleted by the Survey Committee in their final report. We find ourselves at variance with the report of the Survey (Continued on Page 2)

### Vital Issues In N.C.

The nomination of a general secretary may overshadow a far-reaching survey committee report when messengers to the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina meet in special session here next month.

An attendance exceeding that at regular sessions of the convention, held each November, is expected since the future of North Carolina Baptist work through the next decade or two will probably be charted.

Dr. M. A. Huggins of Raleigh announced his retirement from the general secretary post, top convention administrator, which he has held since 1932. The state convention offices are located here.

The special session May 5-6 will hear reports of two committees. An 11-member committee, headed by Clyde E. Baucom, Wilson, N. C., minister has the responsibility of nominating Huggins' successor.

To Present One Name The committee has not announced its nomination, but said that it will present only one name. However, it appeared that one or two other men might be nominated from the floor by messengers.

The second committee, called a "committee of 25" since it has 25 members, has been surveying convention work and has published recommendations for future convention organization, operation, and programs.

### Baptists In Italy Given Right To Build Church

SAN ANGELO, Italy (EP) — Attempts to stop construction of a Baptist church here recently have been ruled "illegitimate" by the Council of State, Italy's highest administrative authority.

### U.S. Missionaries Forced To Depart From Iraq

NEW YORK (RNS) — Fourteen United States Protestant missionaries were forced to leave Iraq in recent weeks, according to a report received here from Baghdad by the National Council of Churches. This leaves an estimated eight or ten American Protestant missionaries in the country. The news coincided with reports of renewed violence in Iraq.

Dr. Bernard M. Luben of New York, chairman of the Near East committee of the council's Division of Foreign Missions, said that no reasons have been given by the government for expulsion of the missionaries. "We believe they are political," he noted, "rather than based on religious grounds."

Editor's Note: There are no Southern Baptist missionaries stationed in Iraq.



RELIGIOUS RETREAT IN KOREA—(Seoul, Korea)—American soldiers stationed in Korea enter the quonset chapel that is part of the religious Retreat Center in Seoul. Though there is nothing inspiring in the looks of a hut, the flower-decorated altar and religious objects convert the interior of this one into a sacred building with an atmosphere of holiness. A regular chapel for the center is under construction and is to be dedicated on April 20 by the Army Chief of Chaplains. (Religious News Service Photo).

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# 'Belle Of Kentucky' Awaits Convention

LOUISVILLE (BP) — Louisville, called by Holiday Magazine "belle of Kentucky", is at her best in the spring just when the Southern Baptist Convention meets. If you take your car to Louisville, you will especially enjoy driving through the six major parks, part of one of the country's finest system of naturally-preserved parks.

Seneca and Cherokee Parks, which adjoin each other, are reached via Lexington Road just west of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Iroquois Park at the Southern edge of the city has scenic drives and a high-view lookout.

The seminary, at 2825 Lexington Rd. in east Louisville, has a beautiful rolling campus. Near it, on Alta Vista Rd., is Garden Court, home of the University of Louisville school of music. Both the seminary and university music schools occupy fine old homes.

Also in the eastern part of the city are Cave Hill Cemetery, burial place of George Rogers Clark, at the east end of Broadway; the American Printing House for the Blind, center of Braille printing, at 1839 Frankfort Ave., and Zachary Taylor National Cemetery and Monument, on Brownsboro Rd at the edge of the city.

Louisville University  
In south-central Louisville, at

2300 South Third St., is the University of Louisville, oldest municipal university in the country. At the north edge of the campus is the Confederate Monument, near the J. B. Speed Memorial Museum. A few blocks to the west is historic Churchill Downs, site of Kentucky Derby.

Louisville is a center of diversified industry. Many plants making a variety of products welcome visitors. For information about plant tours, contact the Louisville Chamber of Commerce.

Louisville's largest industry is General Electric Co.'s giant Appliance Park near Buechel, largest electric home appliance manufacturing plant in the world. Also near that area are the Louisville assembly plant of Ford Motor Co. and the International Harvester Co. cub tractor plant.

Other major industries include furniture, paints, and varnishes, machinery, distilling and tobacco.

Louisville is a river city. Lock and Dam 41 at Louisville, near the foot of 14th St., is a favorite spot with sightseers. The falls of the Ohio River may be seen, most easily from the Indiana side.

Coast Guard Station  
At the levee downtown, near the foot of Third St., is the U. S.

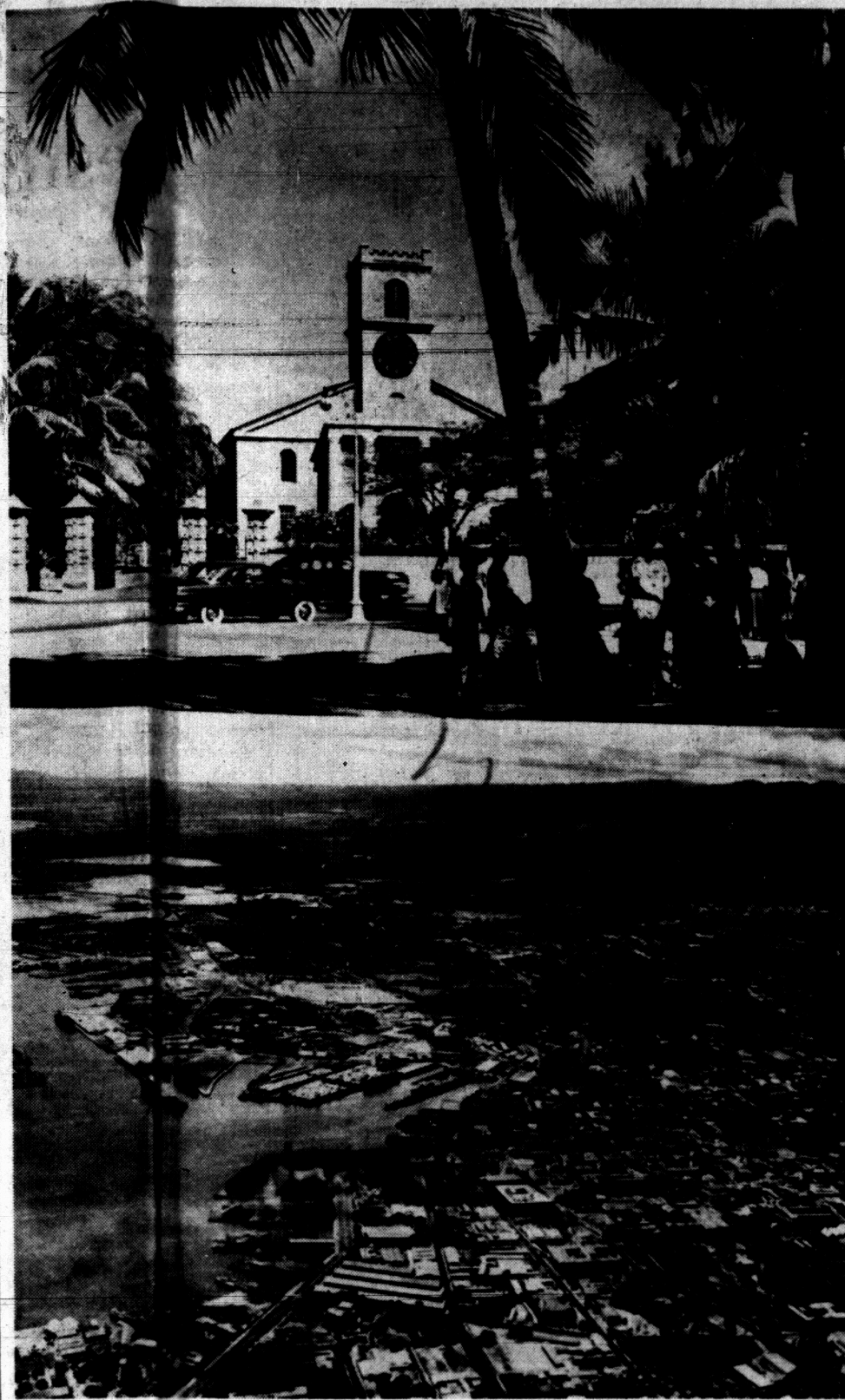
Coast Guard Station, only inland river station in the country. Above the downtown area is the boating center.

Many of the finest homes in Jefferson County may be seen from Upper River Rd. east of the city.

Other points of interest include the giant new Kentucky Fair and Exposition Center, off Watterson Expressway near its junction with the North-South Expressway where the Convention is meeting; Bourbon Stock Yard, Main and Johnson Sts., and the daily Courier Journal and Louisville Times newspaper plant, with radio and TV Stations and a gravure printing company, at Sixth and Broadway downtown.

The City-County government center is located at Sixth and Jefferson Sts.; Hadley Pottery and art gallery, at 1570 Story Ave., Hillerich and Bradbury plant, at Preston and Finzer, the home of the "Louisville Slugger" baseball bat; a small but growing Railroad Museum on River Rd., the Howard Steamboat Museum across the river at Jeffersonville, Ind.; and Fontaine Perry Park amusement, on Southwestern Parkway in Shawnee Park.

Louisville's retail shopping and hotel area is concentrated around Fourth St. from Broadway to Market.



NEWEST STATE'S OLDEST CHURCH, LARGEST CITY—Honolulu, T. H.—As Hawaii becomes the 50th state in Union this year, islanders look with pride to their oldest church, famous Kawaiahae church, and their booming, present-day metropolis of Honolulu, both results of ties with the mainland. The church was founded in 1819 by Congregationalist missionaries from New England. Known as the "Westminster Abbey of Hawaii," it once was the scene of rites attended by royalty of the former Kingdom of Hawaii. To celebrate statehood, an interdenominational religious service was held here. The city is today a great mid-Pacific hub of commercial as well as military importance.—(Religious News Service Photo).



Rev. Leon B. Young  
Young Accepts  
Adams-Union  
Mission Post

Rev. Leon B. Young, superintendent of missions for Wayne County, associated for the past two years has accepted the same position for the Adams-Union Baptist Association effective May 1, according to Dr. D. Lewis White, chairman of the Joint Missions Committee of the associations.

Rev. Young is a graduate of Mississippi State College with a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture and the New Orleans Seminary with a Bachelor of Divinity degree.

In addition to pastoring in Clarke County, he taught adult education classes at Forest from 1949-1952.

To Live In Fayette  
Rev. Young is a veteran of World War II and served for three years with the Air Force in Europe.

The new superintendent of missions will live in Fayette and will have his office in the Fayette County Jail. He will be working with the fourteen churches in the Union Association and fifteen churches in Adams County Association.

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## Baylor In Search For New President

WACO, Tex. — (BP) — A 25-man board of Baylor University faculty members and alumni has begun searching here for a new Baylor president to succeed W. R. White, recently named the school's first chancellor in its 114-year history.

White will be elevated to the chancellor's post in a reorganization of the Baylor administration, said Hilton E. Howell, chairman of the Baylor board of trustees. Adoption of a chancellor system for Baylor's main campus and other schools in Dallas and Houston has been discussed for years among Baylor supporters, officials said.

Top candidate for the president's post appears to be Stanley W. Olson, dean of the Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. Olson is an experienced educator, but speculators have also mentioned E. N. Jones, former Baylor dean and now president of Texas Tech in Lubbock.

Other Baptists frequently mentioned in connection with the job include Guy Newman, president of Howard Payne Baptist College, Brownwood, Tex., and Texas Governor Price Daniel, an active Baptist layman.

The annual meeting of the Baylor trustees is set for mid-April. Howell said that if a new president has not been determined by that date, a special trustees meeting will be held in May, or whenever the selection is made.

Began In 1918  
Indications are that the school hopes to pick a new administrative head as quickly as possible. White will continue as president until a new one is installed.

White came to Baylor as president in February 1948, succeeding the late Pat M. Neff. Under his leadership, the school has made gains in educational stature, physical equipment and financial support.

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## Ohio River Important To Louisville Growth

LOUISVILLE — (BP) — Historic Louisville — 181 years old in 1959 — is located in Jefferson County, Ky., on the south bank of the Ohio River below the Mason-Dixon line.

Gen. George Rogers Clark founded the first settlement in 1778 when he established an 18-cabin base at Corn Island. Louisville was named by Clark in honor of Louis XVI of France in tribute for French services during the Revolution.

In 1780 the Virginia Legislature passed an "Act for establishing the town of Louisville at the Falls of the Ohio" signed by then-Gov. Thomas Jefferson. In 1828 Louisville was incorporated as a city.

In the heyday of the keel boats, the first ocean-going sailship came down the Ohio from Elizabethtown, Pa., with a cargo of 720 barrels of flour and docked at the Louisville wharf June 16, 1800. Just a year before the War of 1812 the first steamboat, The Orleans, docked at the wharf.

Then, as now, the Ohio River was of prime importance in the city's development. The barrier presented by the falls of the Ohio was surmounted in 1831 with the opening of the Portland Canal.

Oldest City University  
Jefferson Seminary, forerunner of the University of Louisville, was founded in 1798, and today U. of L. is the oldest municipal university in the United States.

During the early 1800's, Louisville's first newspaper, church, and theater opened. John James Audubon came to Louisville in 1808 and produced some of his first famous bird pictures. About 1820 the Hope Distillery became the first plant to substitute machinery for hand implements.

The first Kentucky Derby, May 17, 1875, was won by Aristides, ridden by O. Lewis. Since then the best three-year-old thoroughbreds and the leading jockeys of the nation have competed here in the annual renewal of the "world's greatest horse race."

In 1840 Louisville became the first city in the American West to acquire gas lights. During that decade Louisville was the biggest tobacco and pork market in the world.

The auction method of selling tobacco by the hogshead originated in Louisville in 1843, and after the Civil War Louisville became the tobacco auction center of the world, maintaining that position until the time of World War I.

In 1842 an institution for the blind was established in Louisville. It gave rise to the present Kentucky School for the Blind and the American Printing House for the Blind, world center of Braille printing.

War Brought Division  
During the railroad era of the 50's came the completion of the Louisville, Frankfort & Lexington Railroad. The Louisville &

Nashville, which has home offices in Louisville and is one of eight trunk lines now serving the city, was completed to Nashville in 1859.

The Civil War brought a bitter division of opinion in Louisville. The wartime "Gateway City" had a great influx of northerners whose Union sentiments conflicted with opinions of southerners in adjoining rural areas. Louisville was military headquarters and supply depot for the armies of the North during the war.

In 1883 Louisville business sponsored the Southern Exposition, a fabulous display of industrial progress during which President Chester A. Arthur for the first time.

Modern Louisville began to emerge as a major industrial city during World War II: "Rubbertown," a synthetic rubber center was established by the Federal Government. Today that group of industries produces 12 per cent of the world's synthetic supply.

Louisville's greatest growth has taken place during the current decade. Present industrial employment in the Louisville metropolitan area is about 100,000, with a total non-farm employment of about 250,000. Population of the city is well past the 400,000 mark, with the three-county metropolitan area pushing toward 700,000.



From left to right: Loman Williams, \*Norman Shumaker, \*E. C. Cleveland, John Hurst, James Moore, Justus Garrett (Pastor), Walter Racey (Chairman), \*Norwood Cooper, Allen Dyer, \*Sherman Switzer, \*J. H. Flaherty, and George Hollifield. (\*Indicates new deacons.)

## Emmanuel, Biloxi, Elects New Deacons

The Emmanuel church, Biloxi, recently elected five new deacons, bringing to eleven the number of active deacons. These five were elected by the church in a business meeting after seven names had been brought to the church by the nominating committee.

Deacon John Hunter of the Handsboro Church gave the charge to the deacons and Rev. O. B. Anderson, Superintendent of Missions, gave the charge to the church. The pastor, Rev. Justus Garrett, brought the message.

The Emmanuel Church operates on the rotation plan of deacons. Each deacon is elected to serve for a period of three years and then given a year to rest from the many committees and activities of the deacon. After the year he may be re-elected to the active status by the church.



EDITORIAL PAGE  
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W. C. FIELDS, Editor

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### Accepting A New Post

For three years this editor has counted it a great privilege to serve our Lord through The Baptist Record.

These have been three happy, rewarding years in the wonderful fellowship of Mississippi Baptists. It is not easy to decide to leave such wholesome and fine relationships.

Feeling, however, divine leadership in the matter this writer is resigning the editorship to accept a new post of duty.

The announcement from the office of Dr. Porter Routh appears elsewhere in this issue.

On July 15 we begin new responsibilities with the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention as secretary of public relations.

The weeks remaining will provide opportunities for a more complete statement of personal gratitude and appreciation for your cooperation and helpfulness.

Meanwhile, we can unite in prayer for the committees of the Convention Board as they consider the election of a new editor.

### Counsel For Pastors Wives

Mrs. John Osborn of Takoma Park, Md., whose husband is the pastor of the largest Seventh-day Adventist congregation in the world gives the following ten commandments for the wives of preachers:

- 1—Thou shalt love all your members at all times and under all circumstances.
  - 2—Thou shalt learn to live as the most observed woman in the church.
  - 3—Thou shalt always remember your family obligations first of all.
  - 4—Thou shalt learn to develop a remedy for loneliness for the many nights your husband is away from home.
  - 5—Thou shalt learn to live on a limited income and a strict budget.
  - 6—Thou shalt learn how to meet discouragement.
  - 7—Thou shalt learn how to be adaptable and willing to learn.
  - 8—Thou shalt develop your natural talents and abilities.
  - 9—Thou shalt have a definite interest in the daily work and program of your preacher husband.
  - 10—Thou shalt often renew your personal consecration to the task of the church.
- Mrs. Osborn is quite right in adding that "there is no other person who exerts such an influence upon the clergyman."

### Sam Jones Said It

I see a preacher starting out and proposes to be a preacher; never looks in a book, never thinks, never studies; he is going to open his mouth and let the Lord fill it. Well, the Lord does fill a fellow's mouth as soon as he opens it, but He fills it with air. And there's many an old air-gun going through this country professing to be a preacher. I have listened at some men preaching an hour, and they didn't say one thing in the hour; and I got perfectly interested seeing how the fellow could dodge every idea in the universe and talk an hour. I just watched him.

I see a farmer the first three months of the year, instead of cleaning out the corn shed and repairing his fences and turning his land and being just as energetic and active in January as he is in May, instead of that he is loitering around doing nothing. I don't need any tongue of the prophet to tell how he will come out farming. I have seen him down South. I have watched him, and I have told him before he started in how he would come out, too. Said I, "I'll tell you what will happen to you. You'll buy your corn from the West; you put in forty acres to the old mule," and, said I, "before the year is out the grass will have your cotton and the birds will have your wheat and the buzzards will have your mule and the sheriff will have you; and that's about where you'll wind up." Didn't mean anything—that's the trouble.—Word and Fay (Missouri).

### Judson's Rules Of Life

By Jack Gritz, BAPTIST MESSENGER (Okla.)

The first Baptist missionary from America to a foreign land was Adoniram Judson, who went to Burma. His eight rules of life are given below. They are worthy of study and emulation on the part of other Christians.

1. Be diligent in prayer, every morning and evening.
2. Never spend a moment in mere idleness.
3. Restrain natural appetites within the bounds of temperance and purity.
4. Suppress every emotion of anger or ill will.
5. Undertake nothing from motives of ambition or love of fame (selfishness).
6. Never do that which at the moment appears to be displeasing to God.
7. Seek opportunities of making some sacrifice for the good of others.
8. Endeavor to rejoice in every loss and suffering for Christ's sake, remembering that though like death, they are not to be wilfully incurred yet, like death, they are of great gain.

## Quotables

SELECTED BY THE EDITOR FROM CONTEMPORARY THOUGHT AND OPINION

"I grumbled because I had to get up early in the morning until one morning when I couldn't get up."—Survey Bulletin.

"Two things are bad for the heart—running up stairs and running down people."—Survey Bulletin.

A dog has many friends because the wag was put in his tail, not his tongue.



Modes of Thinking

### Pages From The Past

By J. L. BOYD, Sr.

**50 YEARS AGO**  
Pastor W. A. Hewitt celebrates his fourth anniversary with the Columbus, First, Baptist Church, during which period there were 570 accessions. The old church building was displaced by a new house of worship costing \$50,000.00, and "practically paid for in less than two years."

**40 Years Ago**  
Secretary Auber J. Wilds lists the churches on the Honor Roll the first quarter of 1919: which met the A-1 Standard: Seniors — Aberdeen, Oxford, Tupelo and Houston. Juniors — McComb, First, New Albany, Blue Mountain, Durant, Kosciusko, Forty-First, Meridian and First, Brookhaven.

Pastor Theo. Whitfield of First Church, McComb, reports their revival meeting in which they had Rev. R. M. Inlow of Memphis as evangelist and Robert L. Cooper as singer. Results: sixty-six additions to church.

**25 Years Ago**  
The W. M. U. page this week is dedicated to Prof. and Mrs. A. J. Aven. The best pictures we have seen of them are at the mast head. Miss Lackey says, "When we reach life's Cross Roads we pause." Mrs. I. L. Toler says, "Her gentle manner, brilliant intellect, unshakable dignity, high courage and trusting faith have wrought much for those serving with her." Mrs. D. C. Simmons, "Her charming personality... have been an inspiration to me." Mrs. J. L. Johnson, "As she withdraws from office, may a double portion of her spirit rest upon the Baptist women of Mississippi." Mrs. Ned Rice, "How she has graced the position she held as our leader!" Mrs. Edgar Giles, "She is one of God's own 'gentlewomen.'" Edwina Robinson, "Her price is far above rubies." Evie Landrum, "A perfect woman nobly planned, made to warn, to comfort and command."

Mrs. D. M. Nelson, "Her work as president of Mississippi W. M. U. is her enduring monument." Mrs. W. G. Mize, "Rarely does one possess such grace and poise... and such marked executive ability."

## New Books

(Brief comments by the EDITOR, books available through your Baptist Book Store.)

**A LITTLE KIT OF TEACHERS' TOOLS** by Phillip E. Howard, Sr. (Sunday School Times Co., 72 pp.)—a collection of how-do-you-do-it articles for Sunday School workers.

**A CHEMIST AND HIS BIBLE** by Charles M. A. Stine (Sunday School Times Co., 48 pp.)—the personal testimony of a research chemist with some helpful discussion on science and the Scriptures.

**BIRTH CONTROL AND CATHOLIC DOCTRINE** by Alva W. Sullivan (Seacon Press, 257 pp., \$3.95)—a Harvard-trained Connecticut lawyer gives a scholarly, non-Catholic, analysis on this strange preoccupation of the Roman church; introduction by Aldous Huxley.

**ADVENTURES IN PARENTHOOD** by W. Tallaferra Thompson (John Knox Press, 156 pp., \$2.50)—a sensible discussion of family matters by a man who ought to know something about the subject; he taught courses for 36 years on Christian family living at Union Theological Seminary and elsewhere and he is the father of six children.

**A BRAND FROM THE BURNING** by Charles C. Stemmer (Christopher, 132 pp., \$2.75)—a retired postmaster in Augusta relates his life time interest in psychic and occult powers, an offbeat autobiography by a man given to spiritualism.

This name stood out as I read your article about naming the assembly. I had just gone over the grounds on Monday afternoon also. Bay Point is my name for it.

Mrs. Owen Williams  
Belhaven College  
Jackson, Miss.

I suggest that you name new state assembly Baptist Bay. Mrs. Marshall Levins, Union, Miss.

Suggestions of names for our assembly: Bay Side; Gulf View; St. Louis Bay Assembly; Bay Point Assembly; Gulf Coast Assembly.

Marry F. Hall  
Route 2, Dockery Farm  
Cleveland, Miss.

Wonder if I may send two names for our new assembly at Henderson Point: Gulf Coast Baptist Assembly or Light House Assembly.

Mrs. A. L. Broome  
Petal, Miss.

I am suggesting the following name for the new Baptist Assembly: Happyaire Baptist Assembly.

Mrs. Sarah Tyler  
Box 114  
Enterprise, Miss.

I would like to suggest as a name for our new assembly Gulf View.

Miss Maye Ashcraft  
P. O. Box 45  
Columbus, Miss.

We are so glad the new assembly is so near to where we live. The Grady Blackwells (the new caretaker and his wife) are personal friends of ours and we have been out to see them and it certainly is a beautiful location for Baptists.

Name suggestions: Bay Shores or Bayview.

Mrs. T. E. Lard  
223 Oak Garden Avenue  
Long Beach, Miss.

In answer to your request in today's Baptist Record, I am submitting the following name for our new grounds at Pass Christian: Bayvue.

Edythe W. McCraw  
Jackson Advertiser  
Jackson, Miss.

My suggestion is Gulf View Assembly.

Mrs. J. A. Green  
1007 Lincoln St.  
Pascagoula, Miss.

I notice your suggestion in the Baptist Record about naming the Assembly on the coast.

Since Baptists have gotten a view of bigger and better things

and are now viewing the matter from a new angle, why not call our new Assembly: View Point Baptist Assembly? Or new View Point Baptist Assembly. It could be Bay View.

C. J. Rushing  
621 So. Magnolia  
Laurel, Miss.

For our new assembly I would suggest Baptist Inn by the Sea. Mrs. W. J. Pack 1016 8th Avenue Laurel, Miss.

Gulf Coast Baptist Assembly. Mrs. Lewis C. Stewart Route 1, Shubuta, Miss.

I suggest Henderson Point Bay Assembly. Roy A. Schmidt Sontag, Miss.

My suggestion is Bay Front Assembly. Dorothy Green 1007 Lincoln St. Pascagoula, Miss.

I would like to see our new

### In V. A. Hospital

Rev. A. R. Miller, former pastor of Memorial Baptist Church, remains ill in the V. A. Hospital where he is undergoing treatment.

Through the medium of this paper he wishes to thank the churches and individuals for their kind deeds and prayers during his confinement.

He will remain in the hospital several weeks and mail will reach him sent to V. A. Hospital, Ward 34, Jackson, Miss.

Mrs. A. R. Miller  
Jackson, Mississippi

### Rev. J. W. Fagan

The many friends in Mississippi of Rev. J. W. Fagan will be happy to know that, after retiring, he is making his home in Laurel.

Rev. Fagan was pastor of the Second Avenue Baptist Church for twelve years. He recently retired while in the First Baptist Church, Pell City, Alabama, of which he had been pastor for many years. He led the church there in a marvelous way.

Rev. Fagan is now available for supply work and revival meetings. Any church will be blessed by having this preacher.

He has been a member of the Mississippi Baptist Conference since 1906. His telephone number is 2-8806.

W. E. Hellen, Pastor  
West Laurel Church  
Laurel

## Readers Suggest Names For New Coast Assembly

Assembly named one of the following: Baycrest Baptist Assembly; Bayshore Baptist Assembly; Gulfcrest Baptist Assembly. Ivor L. Clark, Macon, Miss.

### Counselor's Corner

By Dr. R. Lofton Hudson

#### SANCTIFIED BY WIFE OR HUSBAND

**QUESTION:** My aunt says 1 Cor. 7:14 (For the unbelieving husband is sanctified by the

wife, and the unbelieving wife is sanctified by the husband; else were their children unclean; but now they are holy) means that a saved wife can save her husband, without his having to do anything. This is not true, is it? Must not each person make his own personal decision for Christ in order to be saved? And what does this scripture mean?

**ANSWER:** The passage you refer to is one of the puzzling verses in the Bible. Paul is talking about Christians who are married to non-Christians. It has nothing to do with being saved.

In the Old Testament (Deut. 7:3) Jews were not supposed to marry non-Jews. They feared that the pagan spouses would cause their children to turn away from God. It is against this background that we are to understand this verse. He is talking about the influence of the parent who is a Christian. If one is saved, the chances of the children's becoming Christian is much better.

Your aunt is wrong unless half of the New Testament is. Why would anyone tie on to one verse and interpret it contrary to the remainder of the Bible? A basic principle of Bible study is that doubtful statements (those that might be interpreted two ways) must conform to plain, positive statements.

(Address questions to Dr. Hudson, 116 West 42nd Street, Kansas City 12, Mo.)

### Calendar of Prayer

April 20 — Hollis B. Todd, Mississippi College faculty; Ralph Taylor, Miss College faculty.

April 21 — Mrs. Marguerite Vance, Gilroy School of Nursing faculty; Rev. Virgil Ratcliff, Pearl River Association Missionary.

April 22 — William Guthrie, Jr., Baptist Orphanage staff; J. J. Newman, Jr., trustee, Baptist Foundation.

April 24 — Marjean Patterson, Baptist Building; G. G. Pierce, Baptist Building.

April 25 — Irene Brown, Baptist Book Store; Frank Loper, Waltham Assoc. Music Director.

April 26 — Billy Credille, Tishomingo Assoc. Brotherhood Pres.; W. Martin Smith, Yazoo Assoc. Training Union Director.

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**PARK GETS STATUE OF LAST SUPPER**—Milwaukee, Wis.—This huge statue of the Last Supper, weighing 25 tons, was installed in Memorial Park here. It rests on a 5,000 pound pedestal of Swedish granite. The work of art was sculptured out of one solid piece of Italian marble by artist Bernhard Zuckerman. Each completely rounded figure measures 6½ feet high in sitting position.—(Religious News Service Photo).

### Canadians To Rio

TORONTO, Canada (BWA) —

Douglas How, outstanding Toronto layman who served as general chairman of arrangements for the Baptist Youth World Conference last summer, reports that 70 Canadians already have made reservations for a tour he is conducting to the Baptist World Congress in Rio de Janeiro in 1960.





**GROUND BREAKING AT PEARL CHURCH** in Rankin County was held March 1 for a new educational building. This first \$30,000 unit of a new building will take care of a Sunday School enrollment of 850. Left to right, above, are: W. L. Maddox, Building Committee Chairman; Rev. Carl E. Talbert, pastor; D. H. Robbins, Training Union Director; C. C. Porch, Chairman of Deacons; James Broome, Brotherhood President; Jimmie Joe Thompson, Sunday School Supt.; Dr. H. M. Harris, former interim pastor; Mrs. Donald Edwards, W. M. U. President.

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### S = O + T + U

There isn't anything that succeeds quite like success. A successful program demands attention and making a definite impression. A football coach here in the south was being sought to fill a vacancy at another school. The question was asked, "Why is this man in such great demand?" The answer was, "He is a successful coach."

A few weeks ago someone asked, "How can I organize a successful Brotherhood?" The answer was that an organization is only a part of that which may contribute to the successful operation of a Brotherhood. In fact we like to think about this in terms of the following formula:

#### ORGANIZATION

SUCCESS = TRAINING

#### UTILIZATION

Success involves a great deal of planning and work. It does not just happen. A successful Brotherhood is the result of careful planning and diligent endeavor.

**Organization:** A complete staff of officers gives responsibility to a larger number of men. When the organization is completely staffed, no one officer needs to bear an overload of responsibility. A chart of organization may be found on page 61 of *The Brotherhood Guidebook*, and in the tract, "The Brotherhood at a Glance."

**Training:** In any phase of work, training is an important part of the preparation for service. This holds true with men serving through the opportunities offered in Brotherhood work. The local church may sponsor a training program for the men under the guidance of some qualified person teaching the *Guidebook* to the entire membership and especially those who have agreed to serve as officers. Most associations may have a training program sponsoring a two-night clinic for Brotherhood leadership in the churches. State encampments and southwide conferences provide additional means whereby the Brotherhood leadership can receive training.

**Utilization:** When men are organized and sufficiently trained, they stand ready for service. Opportunities for service should be provided such as:

1. Participation in church visitation program.
  - (a) Absentees
  - (b) Unenlisted
  - (c) Unsaved
  - (d) Shut-ins and people on the extension roll
  - (e) Hospital visitation
  - (f) Bereaved persons in church and community
2. Provide leadership for special services, sponsored by your church.
  - (a) Homes for the aged
  - (b) Jail services
  - (c) Thanksgiving services
  - (d) Mission points
3. Evangelism.
  - (a) Census taking
  - (b) Distributing handbills and putting up posters
  - (c) Attracting and organizing prayer groups
  - (d) Providing transportation
  - (e) Encouraging attendance in all revival services.

#### REMEMBER!

#### ROYAL AMBASSADOR CAMP DATES

June 1-5      June 15-19  
June 8-12    June 22-26  
June 29-July 3  
July 6-10

## BSU Officers Named At BMC

Students of Blue Mountain College have elected officers of the Baptist Student Union Council for the 1959-60 session.

They are: President, Jane Brook, Pickens; Vice-President, Nancy Buchanan, Blue Mountain; Enlistment Chairman, Doris Parks, Greenville; Social Chairman, Peggy Binkley, Goodlettsville, Tenn.; Devotional Chairman, Gail Elrod, Geraldine, Ala.; Missions Chairman, Sylvia Lovell, Brookhaven; Secretary, Laquita Inmon, Memphis, Tenn.; Publicity Chairman, Harlena Poff, Cambria, Va.; Stewardship Chairman, Elizabeth Dillworth, Rienzi; Y. W. A. President, Jessie Davis, Benton; Sunday School Superintendent, Mary Lillian Fulmer, Greenville.

Training Union Director, Carla Moore, Kensington, Md.; Life Service President, Martha Messner, Guntown; Music Chairman, Janice Brantley, Shelbyville, Tenn.; Librarian, Sally Hewlett, St. Louis, Mo.; Student Center Chairman, Masako Matsuno, Olathe, Kan.; Christian Citizenship Secretary, Ruth, Dillen, Conn.; Local Representative, Roberta Cockroft, Memphis, Tenn.; Denominational Representative, Betty Potts, Myrtle; Freshman Representative, Martha Stokes, Beltsville, Md.; Faculty Adviser, Mr. Arthur Dailey, Blue Mountain; Acting Pastor Adviser, Dr. W. C. Tyler, Blue Mountain.

# The Gospel Of Thomas

By DR. THOS. S. MESSER  
Professor Baptist Chair of Bible  
Southeast Missouri State  
College

The discovery of a manuscript of the so-called GOSPEL OF THOMAS has aroused much interest in the minds of thinking Bible students during recent days.

It was in 1945 that Egyptian peasants discovered this manuscript in the chalky limestone cliffs about 60 miles from Luxor, Egypt. It has been largely thru the efforts of the French scholar, Professor Henri C. Peuch of the College of France, that this manuscript has received attention.

Such discoveries are always interesting. It is often true, however, that the popular presentation of such data tends to be spectacular, sometimes omitting or obscuring vital facts.

It is expedient, therefore, that some rather clear statements be made concerning this so-called FIFTH GOSPEL. First, it should be said that it is not a FIFTH gospel. It happens to be one of many ancient gospels to be preserved across the centuries. These gospels are not accepted as authentic by Christian churches. They were omitted from the New Testament because they did not meet standards required for their acceptance. Some such gospels were deliberate forgeries and of late origin.

Some invented fantastic legends concerning the childhood of Jesus. One such gospel states that the palm trees bowed down to the infant Jesus when he was taken to Egypt by Mary and Joseph. Another states that Jesus once stretched a wooden beam to the proper length in Joseph's carpenter shop. When Jesus was blamed for the death of a lad who had fallen off a housetop, it is said that Jesus caused the boy to rise from the dead and to declare that Jesus had not caused his death. Jesus is pictured as having a bad temper. This showed itself one day by his causing another child to be turned into stone. Obviously, these books were omitted from the New Testament.

Five general standards were used as guides for judging the merits of early Christian writings being considered for inclusion in the New Testament: (1). There was the question of authorship. Books were supposed to be written by or approved by the apostles. (2). The test of inspiration was concerned with whether the book left the subjective impression that this work was inspired by God. (3). The test of doctrine was concerned with whether the teaching of the book was in accordance with Christian doctrine.

Among the many gospels to be omitted from the New Testament are the alleged Gospels of Andrew, Apelles, Barnabas, Bartholomew, the Ebionites, James the Less, Judas Iscariot, Marcion, Mary, Matthias, Philip, Thaddeus, and a host of others. It is unfair to leave the impression that the Christian world has been completely ignorant of the Gospel of Thomas through the years. A fragment has been preserved for us in the work of Hippolytus, which records reputed acts of Jesus at the age of 5, 6, and 8 years of age.

Origen (c. 185-254 a. d.) states that there was a Gospel of Thomas current in his time.

Cyril of Jerusalem (348 a. d.) refers to the Gospel of Thomas as a work produced by the Manichaeans. This would label the book as a forgery and not the work of the Apostle Thomas. Some writers are prone to believe that the Manichaeans used this gospel, but that the gospel was actually older than their sects. Cyril states succinctly,

**Two Apocryphal**  
And of the New Testament read the four Gospels only. The others are apocryphal (pseudepigraphic) and harmful. The Manichaeans also wrote a Gospel according to Thomas, which though coloured with the fragrance of a gospel-name, corrupts the souls of the simple.

Let no one read the Gospel according to Thomas, for it is not by one of the twelve apostles, but by one of the three wicked disciples of Manes.

M. R. James, to whom we are indebted for the above statement, states in his volume entitled *THE APOCRYPHAL NEW TESTAMENT* (Oxford, 1924) that Eusebius has also named this gospel as one of the "undoubtedly spurious books."

Some of the recent articles concerning the Gospel of Thomas would lead the reader to believe that no copies of the gospel were extant until the discovery of this particular manuscript in Egypt in 1945. The truth is that fragments of this

book have been preserved thru the years and are readily available.

Count Tischendorf (died 1874 a. d.) has given us one fragmentary copy in Latin, as well as two Greek texts, usually referred to as Greek Text "A" and Greek Text "B". There are also other Greek manuscripts of this same gospel. These seem to be of late origin, some probably not earlier than the 13th century. There is extant an abbreviated Syriac version, possibly of the 6th century. There is Latin palimpsest manuscript of this

gospel at Vienna from the 5th or 6th century, the full text of which had not been deciphered completely as late as 1945.

#### Passage Recorded

M. R. James, in *THE APOCRYPHAL NEW TESTAMENT*, records the following passage from the Gospel of Thomas on page 48. This statement is typical of the material to be found in the older copies of this alleged gospel.

This little child Jesus when he was five years old was playing at the ford of a brook: and he gathered together the waters that flowed there into pools, and made them straightway clean, and commanded them by his word alone. And having made soft

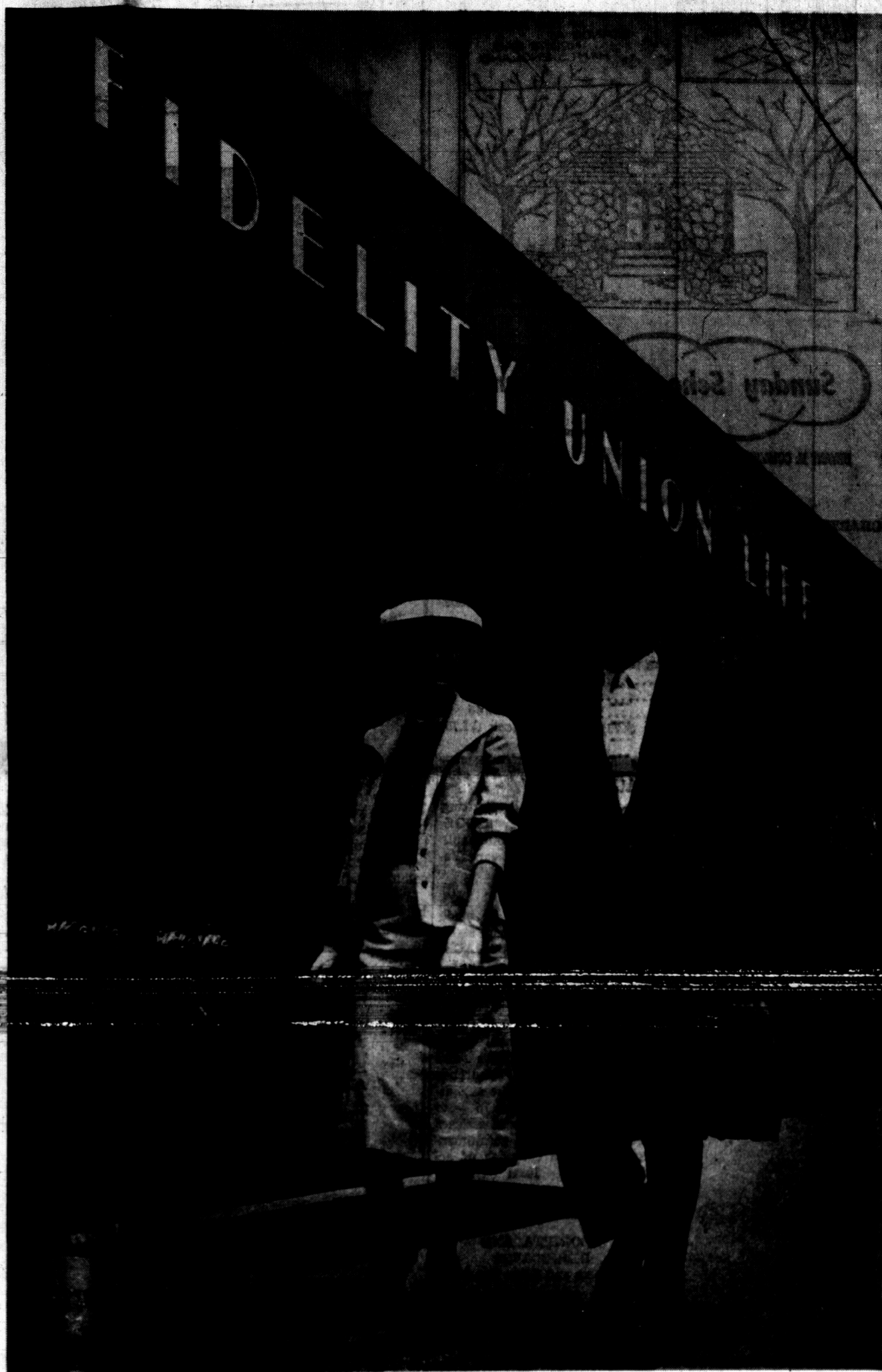
clay, he fashioned thereof twelve sparrows. And it was the sabbath when he did these things. . . . And there were also many other little children playing with him.

And a certain Jew when he saw what Jesus did playing upon the sabbath day, departed straightway and told his father Joseph: Lo, thy child is at the brook, and he hath taken clay and fashioned twelve little birds, and hath polluted the sabbath day. And Joseph came to the place and saw: and cried out to him, saying: Wherefore doest thou these things on the sabbath, which it is not lawful to do? But Jesus clasped his hands together and cried out to the sparrows and said to them: Go! and the sparrows took their flight and went away chirping. And when the Jews saw it they were amazed, and departed and told their chief men that which they had seen Jesus do.

It should be stated that in the above quotation, M. R. James was quoting from earlier texts left to us through the editorial work of Tischendorf. We certainly have not been left in ignorance about this book until the discovery of this particular

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copy in the Nile valley in 1945. The Christian churches have been aware of the presence of this spurious gospel for hundreds of years and have purposely refused to accept its validity as an authoritative source. If informed Christian, such as Cyril of Jerusalem refused to accept this gospel in 348 a. d., and others also have borne similar testimony against it through the pages of Christian history, then informed Bible students may take comfort in the fact that able spiritual leadership shall not be introducing a Fifth Gospel to them from the pulpits of the land.



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## Sunday School Department

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### CHARTERED BUS TO RIDGECREST FOR SECOND SUNDAY SCHOOL WEEK—July 30-August 6, 1959

The bus will leave Jackson at 7:00 a. m. Tuesday, July 28 and return to Jackson on Thursday, August 6 at 7:00 p. m.

Transportation for the 1500 mile tour and costs of tickets to "Unto These Hills," Mt. Mitchell, Blue Ridge, Montreat and Look-out Mountain will be \$29.95.

#### APPROXIMATE COST OF TRIP

Transportation and sightseeing (as stated above) \$29.95  
Hotels and Motels enroute 12.50  
Meals enroute 10.00  
Total Approximate Cost \$52.45  
Sightseeing trips to Rock City (\$75), Chimney Rock (\$1.75) and Biltmore (\$1.75) will be extra.  
Room and board at Ridgecrest Assembly, tips, extra snacks, and personal purchases have not been included in the above cost of tour.

Make your own room reservation at Ridgecrest by writing MR. WILLARD K. WEEKS, BAPTIST ASSEMBLY, RIDGECREST, N. C. Include a \$2.50 reservation fee which is returnable thirty days before the date of the conference, in case of cancellation.

#### HOW TO RESERVE SPACE ON THE BUS

Reservations for a seat on the chartered bus may be made by sending a \$10.00 deposit on the \$29.95 transportation and sightseeing cost to MISS CAROLYN MADISON, P. O. BOX 530, JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI.

The total amount of the \$29.95 transportation and sightseeing cost must be paid by July 15, 1959.



## HOME WEEK

### CHRISTIAN HOME WEEK

Christian Home Week, May 3-10, is an emphasis that many Mississippi Churches will observe during this first week in May.

Write Box 530 for a leaflet describing the value of such an emphasis as well as a suggested program for this significant week.

#### Kittiwake Reservations Cabin Accommodations Total \$17.00

Includes room, meals, registration and insurance. Write Box 530 and send your \$2.00 check or money order for reservations in the Kittiwake cabins.

#### ASSOCIATION OFFICERS PLANNING MEETING

75 association Officers' Planning Meetings are scheduled for Mississippi on September 7 and 8. These one-night planning meetings will be to present our 1959-60 program and calendar for 1959-60. It is urgent therefore, that association officers be elected before September 7, in order that those new workers can attend these planning meetings.

"Action Night" is an associa-

tional Sunday School mass meeting with teachers and workers from local churches coming together on the suggested date—September 15—to hear their associational officers present the 1959-60 recommended plans and calendar of activities for local Sunday Schools.

#### GLORIETA AND RIDGECREST Preachers and Bible Teachers

##### GLORIETA

June 25-July 1—Bible Hour—W. D. Wyatt, Albuquerque. Preacher—Robert E. Naylor, Ft. Worth.

July 2-8—Bible Hour—John W. Salzman, Galveston. Preacher—Grady Cothen, Oklahoma City.

##### RIDGECREST

July 23-29—Bible Hour—Dale Moody, Louisville. Preacher—H. Guy Moore, Ft. Worth. July 30—August 5—Bible Hour—James F. Heaton, Tulsa. Preacher—Leo Eddleman, New Orleans.

## Frank Masters, Baptist Leader Dies

MAYFIELD, Ky. (BP)—Dr. Frank Merrero Masters, former president of Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee, Okla., and Baptist leader in several other states, died here Apr. 3. He was 88 years old. A native Texan, Dr. Masters was born in Franklin County, July 28, 1870. He was a graduate of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., in 1897. He held pastorates in Louisville and in San Angelo, Tex., prior to 1900.

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#### DISTRICT ELIMINATIONS MEETINGS

This year we will have DISTRICT ELIMINATIONS MEETINGS rather than the usual type of District Conventions we have had heretofore. This has come about because of the large number of participants that we have had in the Convention and Assembly Features.

Please note that the evening meal WILL NOT BE SERVED by the host church since final adjournment will be at approximately 6:00 p. m.

#### PROGRAM

2:00 Registration: Participants in the Junior Memory Work  
2:30 Song Service  
Scripture and Prayer  
JUNIOR MEMORY WORK DRILL  
Hymn  
ADULT MISSION STORY FEATURE  
A Look at Mississippi  
INTERMEDIATE SWORD DRILL  
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## Pearl River BSU Installs Officers At Banquet



George Dale

The annual banquet of the Pearl River Junior College Baptist Student Union was given Thursday evening at Speed's Restaurant in Hattiesburg. The program included: Rev. W. C. Dale speaking on "Moments to Remember," recognition of out-going officers, Rev. Richard Foil presenting the out-going officers with the B. S. U. pin, and the installation of in-coming officers, by Louie Farmer, of Mississippi Southern College. The out-going officers presented each in-

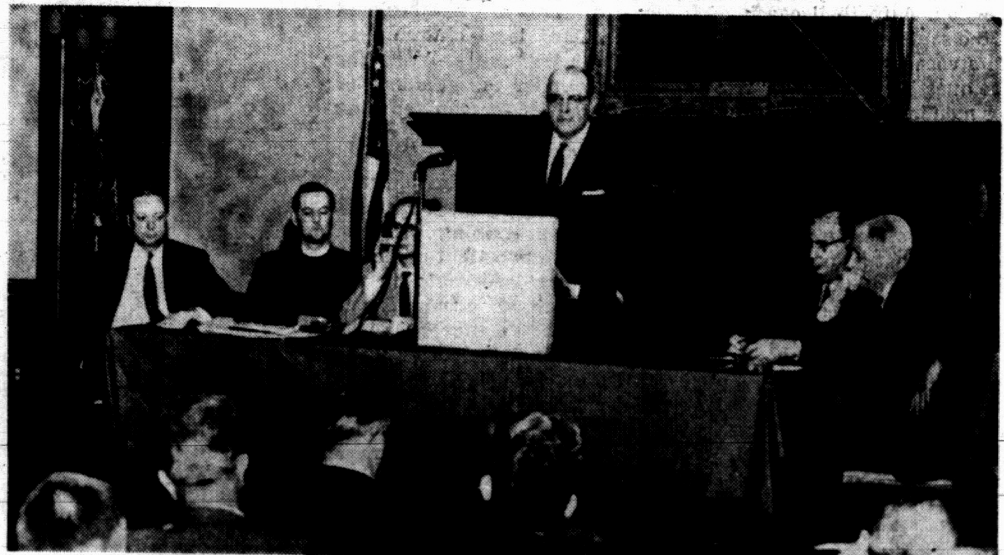
coming officer with the B. S. U. Manual.

The new officers are: Pres.—George Dale; Vice Pres.—Bob Weaver; Dev. Vice Pres.—Peggy Bishop; Secretary—Carolyn Ladner; Missions—Joe Ann Watts; S. S. Representative—Tony Davis; T. U. Representative—Patricia Stuart; Music—Wanda King; Reporter—Carolyn Hall; Publicity—Sybil Buckley; Social Chairman—Martha Jane Magee; Y. W. A.—Campus—Beth Watts; Brotherhood—Henry Conerly.

The out-going officers included: Noel Harte, Martha McBride, Arlene Odom, Annette Start, Patricia Stuart, Hilda Cochran, Peggy Hatten, Mary Jane Toney, Bill Bounds, Juanita Stevens, Becky Phillips and Jo Ann Watts. The special guests present were: Rev. Frank Thomas; Rev. and Mrs. Harold O'Chester; Rev. and Mrs. Louie Farmer; the B. S. U. director and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. Loyette Webb; and Miss Foil. Other guests present were: Pete Graves, Holly Piner, George Pylant, Ginger White, Barbara Bouchillon, Boxey Smith, Buddy Hall, Bob Spith, Max Dyar, Keith Garner, and James Tamm.



ASSOCIATED CHURCH PRESS ELECTS OFFICERS—(New York)—Dr. Benjamin P. Browne of Philadelphia, editor of the Baptist Leader, an American Baptist monthly, was elected president of the Associated Church Press at the group's 40th annual meeting here. Shown left to right are: Edwin H. Maynard of Chicago, editor of The Methodist Story, elected first vice-president; Dr. Browne; Peter Day of Milwaukee, editor of The Living Church, Episcopal newsweekly, outgoing president; and Dr. William B. Lippard of New York, editor emeritus of Missions, another American Baptist monthly, re-elected secretary-treasurer. Primary aim of the ACP, which comprises 156 Protestant and Orthodox publications in the United States and Canada, is to stimulate higher standards of religious journalism. (Religious News Service Photo).



ASSOCIATED CHURCH PRESS SESSIONS—(New York)—One of the high points of the final day of the 40th annual meeting of the Associated Church Press was the discussion on Church Unity and the Vatican which opened with an address by Dr. Eugene Carson Blake, stated clerk of the United Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A. The panel which joined the discussion after Dr. Blake spoke were left to right: Clifford P. Morehouse, vice-president of The Living Church; the Rev. Alexander Schmemman, editor of St. Vladimir's Eastern Orthodox Theological Seminary Quarterly; Peter Day, editor of The Living Church; Dr. Blake; Dr. John C. Slomp, editor of Missions (American Baptist); and Dr. G. Elson Ruff, editor of The Lutheran. Photo below shows one of the typical business sessions at the annual meeting. (RNS Photo).

## Revival Dates

Note: Any church or group in this column may be accompanied by one "thru-mail" engraving. The Baptist Record will secure at cost an engraving for the church if a glossy print photograph is provided.

Lula: April 12-19; Rev. W. C. Smith, Simmons Memorial Chapel, evangelist; Rev. Harry Douglas, Clinton, pastor.

Emmanuel, Grenada: April 19-26; Dr. W. Lowrey Compere, evangelist; Fred Yeats, singer; Rev. George A. Nichols, pastor.

Potts Camp (Marshall): April 19-26; Rev. Charles Phillips, Wesson, evangelist; Rev. Kermit McGregor, Pleasant Ridge Church, New Albany, song leader; Rev. Clint Taylor, pastor.

Canton, Northside Mission: April 13-18; Rev. John Landrum, Jr., pastor and evangelist; Rev. Herbert Batson, music director.

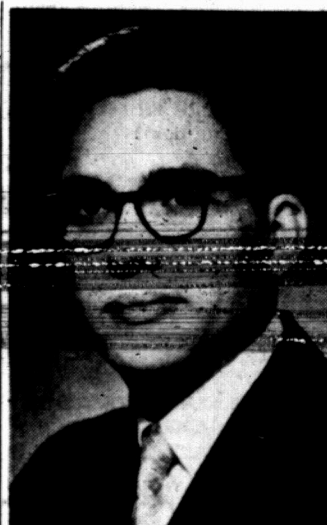
Tupelo, Harrisburg: April 19-26; Dr. Jerry L. Glisson, Memphis, Tenn., evangelist; Rev. Robert L. Hamblin, pastor; Frank Loper, music director.

Canton, First: April 19-26; Rev. John DeFoore, Florence, Alabama, evangelist; Rev. C. Herbert Batson, song leader; Rev. David T. Cranford, pastor.

Okolona, First: April 19-26; Dr. J. William Harbin, New Albany, evangelist; George Van Emmond, New Albany, song leader; Rev. Allison Bell, pastor.

Walnut Grove: April 19-24; Rev. Jimmy H. Hipp, Winnsboro, La., evangelist; Rev. Jerry Henderson, pastor.

Tutwiler, First: April 19-26; Rev. Howard Catledge, evangelist; Shelby P. Newman, music director; Rev. Clarence E. Young, pastor.



## Mrs. Wheeler Dies At Easter

Mrs. Wheeler, mother of Rev. Elton C. Wheeler, pastor of the Gallman Baptist Church, died in her sleep early Easter morning, March 29.

Funeral services were held at the Baptist Church in Delta City, Mississippi, at 3 p. m. Monday, March 30.

Flora: April 19-26; Rev. James McCrary, First Church, Steele, Mo., evangelist; Rev. Curtis Burge, Mississippi College, song leader; Rev. Joe Stovall, pastor.

Webb: April 19-24; Dr. Lewis E. Rhodes, Delta City, evangelist; Rev. J. M. Metts, Jr., Fair River Church, Brookhaven, song leader; Rev. J. S. Riser, pastor.

Wayside (Yalobusha): April 19-24; Rev. W. G. Cummings, Meridian, evangelist; Rev. Versie Johnson, pastor.

## Revival Results

Gautier, First: March 23-29; Rev. Hal Lee, Vancleave, evangelist; Wilson Woodall, Gautier, song leader; Rev. Paul S. Kirke, pastor; 14 additions by baptism and five by letter; 30 rededications.

Bethany (Sunflower): March 8-15; Rev. C. C. Carraway, evangelist; Rev. Wyndell Jones, pastor; 12 professions of faith; 8 additions by letter; 10 rededications.

Pass Christian: March 15-29; Rev. Hollis Bryant, Winston County, evangelist; Rev. Howard Taylor, Louisville, song leader; 11 for baptism and 10 by letter, a total of 21 additions; Rev. W. S. Allen, pastor.

Nicholson, First: March 25-29; four for baptism, one by letter; 15 rededications; Rev. Wayne Stockstill, evangelist; Tom Hambe, song leader; Rev. Tommie Hight, pastor.

Pearl: Rev. John E. Barrow, Eufula, Ala., evangelist; nine professions of faith; 17 additions by letter; four rededications; Rev. Carl E. Talbert, pastor.

Greenwood, Calvary: Rev. H. A. Milner, Van Winkle, Jackson, evangelist; Kendall Smith, First Church, Vicksburg, song leader; Rev. Wilburn Matthews, pastor; 99 professions of faith for baptism; 30 additions by letter; 49 rededications; (741 broke the record in Sunday School attendance.)

Sylvarena (Smith): March 22-April 1; Rev. Billy Duckworth, Value Church, Brandon, evangelist; Rev. V. C. Johnson, pastor and song leader; 9 professions of faith; one baptism; two by letter.

THE BAPTIST RECORD KEEPS MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST PEOPLE INFORMED.



# Saul As King Forsakes The Way

By Dr. L. Bracey Campbell  
SAUL'S TRAGIC FAILURE  
(TEMPERANCE) Scripture Lesson: I Samuel 15.

**INTRODUCTION.** This is a story told in many lands of many times and many men. As a young man he gave much promise of a life to be lived full of good deeds, of wise words, of beneficent influence; but gradually his whole life underwent a change for the worse, and wound up at the last, a story that is a dirty blot on the history of the people.

Said dear old Deacon Ezra Gardner to me concerning a former pastor of his, "Time was when I loved him more than I loved any other preacher: now I wish I might never hear his name." On all the roads we meet them—men who made the good start and ran well for a distance, then slowed down, faltered, and fell in full and final ruin. We have in our lesson today the most tragic chapter in the sad story of Saul the magni-

ficient, son of Kish, tribe of Benjamin, anointed of God by the hand of Samuel the king maker, Saul the tall, Saul the broad-shouldered, Saul the deep-chested, Saul the strong of body, strong of mind, heart of holy fire, muscles of oak, nerves of steel. Look long on this first picture. There are very few so commanding in all God's Hero Hall of Fame.

**I. "THE HEAD OF THE TRIBES OF ISRAEL."** Who made Saul to be that great man? "The Lord anointed thee king over Israel." Here we are in election year again and the sovereign people of Mississippi are going to choose their officers for the coming four years. If only our candidates all the way from constable to governor could realize that they run under the eye of the Lord, and are obligated to serve Him if elected! A king may turn from the service of God to the service of self, and so may sher-

"When thou wast little in thine own eyes. When you ran and hid your modest young worth in the midst of the baggage. "Then the Lord took you at your own estimate of yourself and exalted you." Do you suppose Saul was sincere in his estimate of himself?

Many a candidate will indulge that quality of talk during the next few months. But God took Saul at his word, and, praise His holy name, He will take you at your word of loyalty to Him, and will walk with you in His way, the eternal way, and He will make that exaltation and glory for you as He did for Saul until he forsook the way.

**II. SAUL FORSAKES THE WAY.** "He offered the burnt-offering" (I Samuel 13:9). But that was no great breach of obedience to God. He had not specifically told Saul not to offer the burnt-offering. Indeed, God had not said, "Saul, don't you dare," but God had designated the hands by which the burnt-offering should be made. For the king to supplant the prescribed man in this matter was an act of bald presumption. "God says do it this way: I know a more expedient way, a better way. God says preach the gospel to everybody. That is too difficult. I'll give them soap and soup and sanitation. God says, 'This is the way of life; walk ye in it,' but here is a by-path, greener, more pleasant and nearer, we'll walk in it."

We decry the existence of the two and seventy jarring sects, and the whole, sole cause of their being here is that men have substituted for God's plain directions their own "more ex-



Rev. A. B. Pierce

## Pierce Accepts Louisiana Post

Rev. A. B. Pierce, pastor of Parkview Church, Greenville, for nearly two years, has resigned to become pastor of First Church, Tallulah, La.

The work at Parkview has shown substantial progress under his leadership.

There have been 21 additions, 62 of them for baptism. A new \$100,000 annex has just been completed.

Sunday School enrollment has reached 705. Over \$5,000 was given to the budget last month, with \$608 going to the Cooperative Program. All these figures represent all-time records.

Rev. Pierce has been active in denominational life. He was formerly a member of the Executive Committee of the State Convention Board, and also served previously as executive secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Foundation.

Before going to Greenville he served several leading Mississippi churches as pastor.

## Truett Sermons Aired in Texas

DALLAS (BP)—Dallas radio station is re-broadcasting a series of sermons by the late George Truett, pastor of the First Baptist Church here from 1897-1944.

The proposed weekly broadcast is sponsored by two businesses, one headed by a deacon in the First Baptist Church. The program is broadcast from 7:30-8:00 a. m. Sunday on KIXL.

cellent" (?) was.

**III. WHAT FULL GROWN SIN BRINGETH.** God said to Saul, "Do this; Saul did something else. I spend no time trying to soften any real or supposed harshness of the thing God commanded of Saul. The

wants His commands obeyed. To obey is life to disobedience is death.

This is no ancient outworn practice or mere superstition: this is the truth, now while we draw this breath. Intemperance in thought, in act, in life, is rebellion, "as the sin of divination, and stubbornness" (which is) "an iniquity and idolatry." Intemperance is failing God, flaunting God, betraying God. And ever it bringeth death.

What is doom but the awful loneliness of conscious guilt? and what is death but separation from God right now, right here?

**IV. REMORSEFUL SAUL REJECTED.** "I have sinned." He is willing now, in the face of Samuel's charge and denunciation, to confess his wrong doing, and is violently anxious to escape the terrible penalty of his rebellion against God. This fact marks the attitude of the remorseful: He is not so much sorry that he has offended against innocence and goodness as he is that he is suffering and shall suffer.

"I feared the people" Saul or Pilate or whoever else, the people's guilt is great. All people everywhere, each and every one of them, has influence and has a part in molding the character and shaping the course of those he meets.

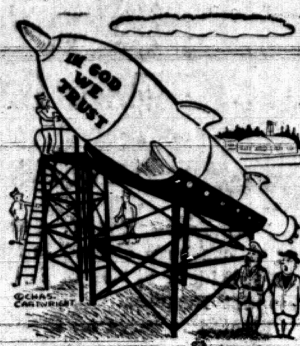
We teachers do not teach the evils of indulgence in the drinking of alcoholic liquors any more. The books I taught the country children of the subject of hygiene and health contained lessons all through on the evils of drinking alcohol. Those books have been discarded long ago, and the preachers touch the matter of drunkenness and its terrible effects very seldom and very lightly.

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## Sunday Reports

Sunday School Attendance  
Training Union, Attendance  
Additions to the Church

APRIL 12, 1959		
Aberdeen, First	357	180
Amory, First	501	183
Antioch (Low.)	194	126
Antioch (Ran.)	70	54
Batesville, First	500	222
Benoit Mission	90	
Bethlehem (Jones)	207	116
Bilco, Emmanuel	310	125
Booneville, First	331	134
Brookhaven, First	676	279
Main	637	249
Halbert Hgts.	39	30
Bruce, First	280	131
Byram	245	160
Calhoun City, First	402	178
Charleston, First	322	103
Clarksdale	501	176
Fairview	25	
Clarksdale, Oakhurst	591	172
Cleare Creek (Laf.)	38	70
Cleveland, First	502	170
Main	477	
Chinese	185	166
Columbia First	655	253
Columbus, First	854	282
Corinth, East	215	123
Corinth, Calvary	95	63
Corinth, Tate St.	325	144
Corinth, First	331	102
Crystal Springs, First	551	228
Dixie (Leb.)	179	101
Friendship (Monroe)	130	50
Grenada, Emmanuel	267	146
Greenville, First	696	276
Main	101	
Greenfield	45	
Greenville, Parkview	342	129
Greenwood, Calvary	589	283
Greenwood, North	328	127
Gulfport, Grace Mem.	327	114
Gulfport, First	962	336
Hattiesburg	101	
Central	250	173
Main	247	
Mission	677	241
Main Street	1005	524
Main	948	474
North Main	26	22
Wayside	35	22
Hickory	183	101
Hickory	137	93
Horn Lake	222	93
Houston, First	367	193
Jackson	686	356
Alta Woods	308	152
Hillcrest	376	183
Crestwood	339	209
Highland	174	105
Broadmoor	606	119
Calvary	1518	606
Main	1447	571
Mission	35	60
Midway	272	117
Parkway	941	491
Union Mem.	906	438
Oak Forest	253	102
West	395	194
Van Winkle	615	363
South Side	259	186
Ridgecrest	676	312
Kosciusko, First	705	217
Main	685	
Main, Miss.	20	
Laurel	412	195
Second Ave.	687	359
First	311	130
Highland	135	98
Plainway	358	130
Magnolia Street	344	134
Long Beach, First	319	67
Main	25	7
DeLisle	68	63
Longview	389	176
Lucedale, First	295	91
South	95	55
Navilla	216	79
Central	162	100
Locust St.	393	101
West	160	137
Eastside	345	114
Mendenhall	431	172
Meridian	19	27
Calvary	842	229
Fewell Survey Miss.	653	262
First	88	60
Highland	444	195
Emmanuel	24	24
South Side	673	277
Fulton Ave. Miss.	341	133
Fifteenth Avenue	301	98
Grandview Mission	301	156
Oakland Heights	280	118
Morton, East	61	36
West Point, East	60	20
Main	60	20
Mission	60	20
Natchez, First	60	20
Natchez, Second	60	20
Natchez, Third	60	20
Oxford, First	573	26
Pascagoula, First	706	216
Pascagoula, Orange Gv.	74	34
Pascagoula, Eastman	267	158
Petal	96	61
Crestview	379	178
Petal Harvey	322	123
Main	57	55
Harvey Miss.	324	94
Temple	670	150
Picayune, First	640	
Main	30	
Mission	286	101
Purvis, First	403	196
Ripley, First	344	166
Main	59	30
Mission	52	52
Ruth	282	124
Shannon, First	118	41
Sharon (GC)	85	43
Soss, First	142	76
Springfield (Scott)	132	91
Sumnerland (Jones)	97	53
Starkville, First	871	391
Sumrall, First	133	76
Tupelo First	475	176
Tupelo, Harrisburg	539	165
Tyertown	307	131
Union, First	335	92
Washington, Neely	50	28
Weir	177	61
West Point, First	602	203
West Point, W. End	207	146
West End (Win.)	64	36
Winona, First	442	169
Main	385	129
Mission	57	40
APRIL 5, 1959		
Bellevue (Lamar)	93	77
Benoit Mission	92	244
Columbus, First	292	123
Grenada, Emmanuel	276	140
Laurel, Wildwood	377	220
Tupelo, Calvary	139	79
Tutwiler, First	64	60
West End (Win.)		



## Lyle New Student Head At MC

Mississippi College junior Ken Lyle of Houston, Tex. is the new student body president for the school year 1959-60. He was elected in a campus election last week.

In a close race for the office of vice-president sophomore Andy Lester of Miami, Fla. won over Charles Deever, Clinton junior, Larry Ziglar, Pascagoula junior, was victorious in the SBA attorney's race.

Unopposed for the offices of chief justice, secretary and treasurer were Harry Brigrance, Gloucester junior, Marilyn Barnes, Hattiesburg junior, and Betty Regan, Jackson junior.

Four cheerleaders were chosen without opposition. They are Brenda Helms, Hattiesburg sophomore; Betty Day Miller, Mount Olive junior; Shirley Smith, Jackson sophomore; Billy Lytal, West Point sophomore; and George Tate, Greenwood freshman.

## Budget Doubles At Calvary, Pascagoula

The budget of Calvary Church, Pascagoula, jumped from \$29,000 to \$59,583.45 for the new year.

During the first six months their income has been \$34,775.99 or almost \$6,000.00 more than the budget for all of last year!

Their income, in other words, has increased \$777.80 per week thus far in the new year, due to the use of the Forward Program of Church Finance. The pastor, Rev. Byron E. Mathis, says that "We have followed God's plan of bringing the tithe to the storehouse upon the first day of the week."

## BMC To Get New Dining Hall

In general assembly at Blue Mountain College, President Lawrence T. Lowrey made two important announcements when he gave the specific information that a new College Dining Hall will be erected during the remaining spring and the summer months. The building will be located in the area now used for the College Infirmary.

He also gave the information concerning the making of the present Dining Hall into a modern and adequate Infirmary with attractive Nurses Quarters on the lower floor.

## Off The Record

Tommy: "There's a girl at our school, mamma, they call her 'Postscript.' Do you know why?"

Mamma: "No, dear, why?"

Tommy: "Because her name is Adeline Moore."

A well-known French professor came to teach in an American university. When he plugged in the portable radio he had brought with him, his little girl, Charmaine, listened with amazement.

"Father," she cried, "listen how quickly the radio has learned to speak English."

He loved fishing so much that he thought everyone else ought to love it. In his zeal he took a beginner with him on a fishing trip, furnishing all the tackle. The expert settled the novice in a likely spot and then began fishing not far away. In a little while the novice called.

"How much do those red and green things cost?"

"You mean the float?" the expert said. "Oh, about a dime, I guess."

"Well, then, I owe you a dime. Mine has sunk."

A henpecked looking little man and his wife arrived at a concert late.

"What are they playing?" he whispered to the man beside him.

"The Fifth Symphony," his neighbor replied.

"Well," he muttered, "thank goodness I've missed four of them."

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## APRIL is ROUND-UP MONTH FOR THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM IN MISSISSIPPI

April 30 completes the first six-month period of this Convention year and the mission gifts of all churches for this period will be published in the Baptist Record in May.



Your gift through the COOPERATIVE PROGRAM is your message of love to a lost world.

## OUR STATUS TO DATE

For the first five months of this Convention year, up through March 31, Cooperative Program receipts were \$824,450.91, a gain of \$52,584.32 or 6.8 per cent over the same period last year. Our objective of \$2,275,000 for this year however calls for a 12 per cent increase. A special effort will be necessary in April to advance our percentage rate of increase from 6.8 to nearer the 12 per cent mark.

## Specific Suggested Objectives

1. Every church that has not made a contribution thus far this year do so during the month.
2. Every church that may have Cooperative Program funds on hand send them in during April.
3. Every church that can do so is urged to make an extra contribution during April.

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## Hospital Elects BSU President

Miss Emily Hester, Sander-ville, has been elected to serve as President of the B. S. U. at Baptist Hospital.

Elected to serve on the council with Miss Hester are the following: Delores Holmes, Tupelo, Vice President; Shirley Walker, Forest, Secretary; Sandra Lovett, Meridian, Devotional Leader; Lynda Hardy, Philadelphia, Social Leader; Opal Williams, Pascagoula, and Gilda O'Quin, Jayces, Organizational Workers; Betty Lou White, Meridian, and Miriam Smith, Union, Miss.

Extension Workers: Ella Ruth Hatten, Sumrall, Music Leader; Undine Peden, Publicity Director, Jackson; Martha Breland, Wiggins, Denominational Leader; Lyndel Hicks, Leakesville, Y. W. A. President; Jerry Richey, Editor of the B. S. U., Scope, Waynesboro; Julia Wall, Jackson, B. S. U. Reporter; Shirley McPhail, Chaplain, Bassfield; Mrs. Marie Moore and Miss Carolyn Webb, Jackson, Faculty Advisors; Rev. James Parker, Jackson, Chaplain at Baptist Hospital.

Miss Kathryn Bearden, McComb is B. S. U. Director.

**THE FAMILY** drove up to the Bethany Baptist Church on the Choctaw Indian Reservation in Philadelphia, Mississippi, in an old dilapidated truck. The parents and many children piled out happily. After having her picture made with her baby boy this young mother spoke of how thrilled she was that they could be there at church and have their picture made together—because it was Mother's Day—(Home Mission Board).

## One-Act Plays To Be Given At MC

The second series of workshop student directed one-act plays at Mississippi College will be given Thursday, April 16, at 8 p. m. in the Aven Fine Arts Auditorium during Fine Arts Week.

Student directors for the one acts are Sandra McClung, Tunica sophomore; Edna Earle Parridge, Winona senior; and Leon Thornton, Hattiesburg junior. All three plays are written by Bob Canzoneri, associate professor of English and creative writing at Mississippi College.

**Jimmy Kellum**, who has dedicated his life to the ministry, was youth pastor during Youth Week at First Church, Tutwiler April 5-12. Rev. Clarence E. Young is the pastor.



Emily Hester

**ABILENE, Texas (BP)**—Lee Hemphill, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Littlefield, Tex., for the past 16 years, has been named vice president for development of Hardin-Simmons University here.

## Daylight Follows Darkness

By HOWARD H. AULTMAN  
First, Columbia

Genesis 1:5—"And the evening and the morning were the first day."

Psalm 30:5—"Weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning."

These are precious words. These verses bring us the promise of God and the realization of man. David was a man well acquainted with sorrows. He often passed through the nights of dark and dismal despair, but his spiritual eyes passed through the gloom to the dawn of a new day.

We need this word today. These are the days that try men's souls. Troubles around us multiply. Sin flourishes, iniquity increases, darkness is the order of the day. The waters seem deep through which our pathways many times lie. Death and hell seem to ride roughshod over the nations of the world with feet dripping red with blood. We cannot understand it all until we remember the words of Jesus when he said, "What I do now ye know not, but ye shall know hereafter."

This verse in Genesis takes us back to the first day when the morning stars sang together and the sons of God shouted for joy. The revised version says, "And there was evening and morning one day." We make our days begin with the morning and end with sunset. They begin with dawn and end in darkness, but this is not the way it should be. We have it just backwards. We somehow console ourselves by saying, "Be the day weary, or be the day long, at last it ringeth to an evening song."

The ancient Jews began their days with the sunset and each day ended with the dawn. Much can be said of it in the Bible. It was in keeping with the creative order. With us, day ends with night, but with God, night ends with day. The light overcometh the darkness.

One of our greatest needs today is this glowing faith in God to know that all things work together for good to them that love the Lord. We need to know every day that God's plan for his people is progressive.

We have all walked the pathway of darkness in sin that ended in the dawning of redemption. Our feet have found their way down the dark pathway of sorrow only to come to the brightness of Christ's peace. The nights of despair have given way to the mornings of consolation.

Frank Bullen wrote a book named, "With Christ at Sea." There is a chapter entitled, "The Dawn." In this chapter he tells the story of his conversion. God's light came into his heart. A new day dawned in the sky and he wrote:

"The night was filled with sadness  
And I had lost my way  
But morning came with gladness  
And songs at break of day."

**ST. JOSEPH, Mo. (BP)**—Dethroned from the championship of the National Women's AAU basketball tournament here last year, the Flying Queens of Wayland Baptist College have served warning on any pretenders to the 1959 throne. The Queens are coming back at St. Joseph to win them all.

**ATLANTA**—Looking at Louisville, a souvenir filmstrip of the Convention city, has been produced by the Home Mission Board for release during the Convention.

In color it will be available at the Baptist Book Store at the Convention for the special price of \$3.00.



**MUSIC SURVEY TEAM**—Dr. Donald Winters, head of the Division of Fine Arts at William Carey College, Hattiesburg, (left) confers with Dr. Irving Wolfe, professor of music at George Peabody College, Nashville (center) and Genter L. Stephens, associate director of the School of Sacred Music, New Orleans Seminary. The latter two were members of a survey team that visited the college, along with the other eleven Baptist colleges offering a major in church music. The other team member is Dr. W. Hines Sims, head of the Church Music Department, Sunday School Board, Nashville. Mr. Stephens is responsible for this survey as a part of his doctoral preparation.

## BMCToCrownQueenOfTheMay

Saturday, May 2, will be an eventful day in the history of Blue Mountain College. Beginning at 9:00 o'clock in the morning, Alumnae of the College will gather from many parts of the mid-south and the nation for the annual meeting at which time there will be reunions of the classes of 1958, 1954, 1944, 1934, 1924, and 1909.

Mrs. Sadie T. Crawley, Dean of Students, will be the speaker for the 10:30 joint session of Junior and Senior Alumnae.

The regular Alumnae Luncheon will be held in the College Dining Hall at 12:15.

The afternoon session will be held in Garrett Auditorium and will be given to programs

of interest presented by representatives of the Reunion Classes.

At 4:00 o'clock in the afternoon, the traditional May Day festivities will be held in Modena Lowrey Berry Auditorium of the College.

Sharon Hudson, a 1959 senior and President of the Eunomians, will be crowned Queen of the May by Shirley Nickell, also a 1959 senior and President of the Baptist Student Union, who is her Maid of Honor.

The evening program will be a special motion picture chosen by the junior class and presented to all guests in Modena Lowrey Berry Auditorium.

Throughout the entire pro-

gram the Art Department of the College will hold its annual May exhibition, and guests for the day will be cordially invited to attend the exhibition in the art studios on third floor of the Administration Building.

**NEW YORK, N. Y., USA**—(BWA)—Dr. Hendrick Kraemer, a layman from Holland, described by Dr. Jitsuo Morikawa as "a world statesman of the church," will lead sessions of a Mission to Ministers to be held at scattered points across the United States as part of the American Baptist Convention's first year program for the Baptist Jubilee Advance.



SHOWN ABOVE are the members of the Carol Choir, Calvary Church, Tybertown.

## Calvary Carol Choir Rates "Superior"

The Carol Choir, Calvary Church, Tybertown, entered the State Music Festival in McComb on April 2 and returned to Tybertown with a rating of Superior. They sang their own arrangement of "Christ the

Lord Is Risen Today."

The members of the choir are from left to right, front row: Karen Wood, Ann Wood, Emmie Sue Fortinberry, Deloris Wood, Easley Wood, Tonya Blackwell, Dawanna Ginn, Rodney Wood

and Gary Wood. Back row: Mrs. Emerich Ginn, Pianist, Jerome Fornea, Becky Fornea, Judy Wood, Doris Fay Thomas, Donis Wood, Wilma Gayle Dillon and Mrs. W. O. Byrd, Director. Not shown is Everett Wood.

## Death Claims Mrs. Hickerson

Mrs. Florence Robbins Hickerson, wife of the evangelist, Rev. Judson W. Hickerson, died on April 3, 1959.

Mrs. Hickerson is survived by her husband, of Edinburg, Texas; one sister, two sisters-in-law, several nieces and nephews, and many friends "throughout the Southern Baptist Convention and several of the northern states."

## Louie Newton Marks 30th Pastoral Year

**ATLANTA (BP)**—Louie Newton began his 30th year as pastor of the Druid Hills Baptist Church here April 5.

Newton was editor of The Christian Index, Georgia Baptist weekly newspaper, for 10 years before going to Druid Hills Church. It has been his only pastorate.

He is a former president of both the Georgia and Southern Baptist Conventions. Newton has served as chairman of the special committee investigating the faculty-administration difficulties at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

## IBADAN, Nigeria (BWA)—The

dedication service one year ago of the Baptist Chapel in Ibadan was particularly colorful due to the attendance of representatives of many national groups and several denominational bodies who were in Ibadan for the All-Africa Church Conference. That cosmopolitan gathering was symbolic of the present congregation with members of at least six Nigerian tribes and

## WMSToHear Missionary From Cuba

Miss Mildred Matthews, missionary to Cuba, will be the featured speaker at the annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Mississippi Baptist Association.

The meeting will be held on Thursday, April 16, at the Centerville Church, beginning at 9:45 A. M. The noon meal will be served by the host church and election of officers will highlight the afternoon session.

Mrs. Boyd Leake Jr., Woodville, will preside over the meeting. She will be assisted in presenting special features by the Woman's Missionary Society.



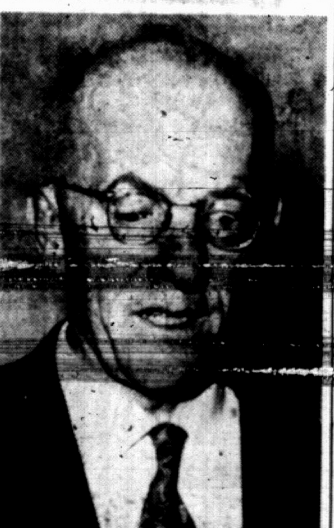
**LICENSED**—Rev. Billy Earl Burney was licensed to preach on March 29 at Flowood Church. Rev. Glenn Morgan, pastor. Pastor Morgan states that "Rev. Burney certainly showed 'ample evidence of the qualifications' needed for a preacher of the gospel. After Burney's sermon two people joined the church by letter and four persons rededicated their lives."

## State Department Representative To Visit MC Campus

Miss Muna Lee, Chief of the South American Division, Department of State, will be on the Mississippi College campus April 16-17 for a series of speaking engagements.

Mississippi College's Epsilon Chapter of Pi Gamma Mu, national honorary social science society, is sponsoring Miss Lee's visit on campus.

Rev. and Mrs. Elton Moore, Baptist missionaries to Indonesia who have been in the States for furlough, are returning to their field of service in April. Their address will be Box 9, Badak, Java, Indonesia. Both are natives of Mississippi; he of Calhoun and she, the former Jean Cooper, of Morton.



**DESCRIBES DOCUMENT**—New York—Discovery of a "Gospel of Thomas" containing 114 sayings attributed to Jesus was described in a lecture here by Dr. Oscar Cullmann, visiting professor at Union Theological Seminary. Found in 1946 in Egypt but still unpublished, the document is comparable in importance to the Dead Sea Scrolls and of even greater significance to students of the New Testament, he said.—(RNS Photo).

## Long Beach To Mark 50th Year

The 50th Anniversary, (Golden Anniversary Jubilee) Homecoming Day of the Long Beach Church will be held on Sunday, April 19th.

Arrangements have been made to have Rev. Webb Brame, the first pastor for the church, preach at the 11 o'clock hour.

An old fashioned dinner on the grounds will be served. A most cordial invitation is extended to all former members of the Church to be present.

Interested Baptists of the City of Long Beach gather at the Auditorium of the Long Beach High School, on Sunday, April 15th, 1909 (Fifty years ago) for the purpose of organizing a Baptist Church.

A Presbytery composed of Dr. W. C. Grace, Rev. J. L. Finley and Rev. Brame was set up, and the organization of the

## Southside Is Redecorating

Rev. John L. Cook, Jr., of Meridian, who recently became pastor of South Side Church, Columbus, reports on the progress of the work there. At the new year's church service the South Side Church began the new year with a "Note-Burning Service" when the 1500.00 note was burned. The liquidated the church's indebtedness. In the weeks following thereafter immediate plans were instituted for the complete renovation and redecoration of the church auditorium with the installation of new pews and church furniture.

On Easter Sunday, "Kick-Off Day" for this project was observed and an offering for the Building Fund was taken amounting to \$1,441.00. The plans are now well underway for the work to be done within the next few months.

The Planning Committee is composed of the pastor and the following men: Glenn Lollar, Winston Huff, Bruce Ayres, Latham Elmore, and Ray Duncan.

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Rev. Cook has held three former pastorates, all of which were in the Lauderdale Association. His first pastorate there was the Mt. Vernon Church, his second was Macedonia Church, and his most recent pastorate was that of the Marion Church. During these eleven years, he was active in the Associational work, serving as an officer of the Ministerial Association, and as pastor and advisor of the Associational Brotherhood.

Cook is a graduate of Mississippi College, and of New Orleans Seminary. He is married to the former Miss Frances Kin-

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ard of Meridian, a graduate of Clarke College, and of Blue Mountain College. The Cooks have one son, Pete, 10.

The Columbus, South Side Church has a new pastor and family with a surprise grocery shower and social hour in the church recreation room.

The South Side Church sponsors a radio program at 12:30-1:00 each Sunday afternoon in the studios of Radio Station WYLT in Columbus.



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## BETHANY REDECORATES AUDITORIUM

The auditorium of the Bethany Church in Sunflower Association has been completely redecorated, with new walls and refinished floors. A choir loft has also been added. The auditorium has been furnished throughout with new natural pine furniture.

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